

1 SHEPPARD, MULLIN, RICHTER & HAMPTON LLP  
A Limited Liability Partnership  
2 Including Professional Corporations  
PAUL S. MALINGAGIO, Cal. Bar No. 90451  
3 pmalingagio@sheppardmullin.com  
DAVID A. DeGROOT, Cal. Bar No. 168073  
4 ddegroot@sheppardmullin.com  
Four Embarcadero Center, 17th Floor  
5 San Francisco, California 94111-4109  
Telephone: 415.434.9100  
6 Facsimile: 415.403.6062

7 Attorneys for Plaintiff  
CARSON INDUSTRIES, INC.

8  
9 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
10 **NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**  
11

12 CARSON INDUSTRIES, INC., a South  
Carolina corporation,

13 Plaintiff,

14 v.  
15

16 AMERICAN TECHNOLOGY  
NETWORK, CORP., a California  
corporation, dba American Technologies  
17 Network, American Technologies  
Network, Corp., and ATN Corp.,  
18

19 Defendant.

Case No. 3:14-cv-01769-NC

**DECLARATION OF DAVID A.  
DEGROOT IN SUPPORT OF  
OPPOSITION TO MOTION TO  
DISMISS FOR INSUFFICIENT  
SERVICE OF PROCESS**

Date: July 2, 2014

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Date action filed: April 16, 2014

20  
21 I, David A. DeGroot, declare as follows:  
22

23 1. I am special counsel with the law firm of Sheppard Mullin Richter &  
24 Hampton LLP, counsel of record for plaintiff Carson Industries, Inc. ("Carson") in the this  
25 action. Except as otherwise noted, I have personal knowledge of the matters stated in this  
26 declaration. If called upon to testify as a witness, I could and would testify competently to  
27 the matters in this declaration.  
28

